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To Carol Hanlon, US Department of Energy; Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Office (M/S#25):

I am writing to urge the US Department of Energy to abandon plans to transport high level radioactive waste to Yucca Mountain, Nevada. Radioactive fuel rods should be left at nuclear weapons plants, nuclear power plants or nuclear military or naval facilities until they can be safely transported.

Americans are feeling frightened and vulnerable from the recent terrorist attacks on our country. After September 11, our government and many private citizens have had great concern about possible attacks on nuclear power plants and weapons plants. Why should Americans be put at unnecessary levels of risk by transporting lethal radioactive waste through our country every other day for the next twenty-five or thirty years ?

In addition to the serious concerns about safeguarding these shipments against terrorist attacks, there is always the danger of an accident. Just yesterday, a truck driving through Missouri was leaking flammable liquid. The driver was completely unaware until a police car noticed and stopped him. With so many planned shipments of radioactive waste the likelihood of an accident is extremely high.

The US Department of Energy must protect the safety of Americans and abandon plans to ship high-level radioactive waste to Yucca Mountain.

Sincerely,
Roberta Gutwein

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